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## **BROCKTON MAN SENTENCED TO 15 YEARS FOR GUN POSSESSION**

BOSTON, MA - A Brockton, Massachusetts man has been sentenced to 15 years in federal prison for being a felon in possession of a firearm.

United States Attorney Michael Sullivan; Glenn N. Anderson, Special Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives - Boston Field Division; Colonel Mark F. Delaney, Superintendent of the Massachusetts State Police; Timothy J. Cruz, Plymouth County District Attorney; and William K. Conlon, Chief of the Brockton Police Department, announced that **TIMOTHY MEADOWS**, 38, of 295 Grove Street, Brockton, Massachusetts, was sentenced yesterday to 15 years imprisonment, to be followed by 5 years of supervised release and a \$3,000 fine.

**MEADOWS** was convicted on April 6, 2007, following a four-day trial. The trial evidence showed that on July 10, 2006, **MEADOWS** ran from Brockton Police into the Battles Farm Housing complex in Brockton, carrying a Hi-Point .380 caliber semi-automatic pistol. **MEADOWS** had previously been convicted of several violent state felonies including armed robbery, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, and arson. Federal law prohibits individuals previously convicted of state or federal felonies from possessing firearms or ammunition.

The case against **MEADOWS** is being prosecuted as part of President Bush's Project Safe Neighborhoods Initiative which makes prosecution of firearms cases a top priority. The Project Safe Neighborhoods Initiative provides a comprehensive, strategic approach to reducing gun violence in America. Since 2002, when the U.S. Attorney's Office implemented the Project Safe Neighborhoods Initiative, eleven cities across the state, including Brockton, have joined in the program.

The case was investigated by agents of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Brockton Police Department and the Massachusetts State Police. It is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul Levenson of Sullivan's Criminal Division.

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